GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:243
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2005
SUPPLY OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not allowing Food Corporation of India (FCI) to supply foodgrains to Public Distribution System (PDS) in the same State from where it has been procured;

(b) whether this results in extra burden on transportation of foodgrains to the other States;

(c) if so, whether the Government proposes to review the policy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a), (b), (c) & (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO. 243 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21-3-2005 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a) to (d): The Food Corporation of India is already following the policy of first issuing foodgrains under the Targeted Public Distribution System and other Welfare Schemes out of the stock of foodgrains procured from within the State. Any additional requirement of foodgrains is, thereafter, met by transportation of foodgrains from other States.